

RANDOLPH

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beedle of Keene, N. H., have arrived to pass a few days with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beedle.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Morton and son, Richard, came Saturday night for a stay over the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hubbard and Mrs. R. G. Morton and her daughter, Miss Jennie Morton.

Raymond Briggs of Burlington came Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Briggs.

Dr. F. C. Angell was among those who had a leave of absence for a few days' stay at home over the Christmas holidays. Glenn Thayer came from Ayer, Mass., to pass a short time here with relatives and friends.

Dr. C. J. Rumrill underwent a second operation on Sunday, the first not having proven satisfactory. Dr. Gale of Hanover, N. H., was summoned to assist in the operation and was here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Joslyn went to Northfield Saturday for a short visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. M. Thompson and her daughter, Miss Beatrice Thompson, of Montpelier came Saturday for a short stay with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Foster, remaining over the holidays.

Mrs. Frank Preston of Strafford, after passing several days with Mrs. Julia Udall, left on Saturday for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Chase went to Putnam, Conn., Saturday to visit their daughter and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Leeds, after which they may continue their journey to Newtonville, Mass., where their son, John Chase, and family reside.

Mrs. R. B. Grew left on Saturday for Brooklyn, N. Y., where she will pass the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Holbrook, and family.

Donald Salisbury and Miss Marion Salisbury, both students at the U. V. M., have come to pass the recess from college at their home here.

Mrs. G. A. Chedel, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Flint went to Portland, Conn., on Saturday for a several days' stay with Dr. and Mrs. Charles Chedel.

Miss Helen Blanchard, who came from Burlington, where she is attending college, went to Boston Saturday for a part of her vacation.

Charles Adams and family of Waterbury have come for a few days' stay at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Adams.

Mrs. C. C. Clarke came from St. Albans on Sunday to pass the next few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. S. Buck.

Edson and Celia Gifford have come from Burlington, where they are in college, to pass the vacation here with their parents at the farm.

The high and graded schools closed here on Friday for a two weeks' vacation, and many of the teachers and pupils have gone to their home for the vacation.

HANCOCK

Last Veteran of Civil War in Town Dies—Julius Church.

News was received here last Monday of the death of Julius Church of pneumonia, at his home in Bellows Falls. Mr. Church had recently sold his place here and had been gone but a short time. He had always lived in town and was the last veteran left of the Civil war in town. He was an obliging neighbor and friend and will be greatly missed. He leaves one daughter, three sons, two brothers, two sisters and several grandchildren. The funeral was at the church Wednesday, Rev. A. N. Blackford officiating. Interment was in the village cemetery. Mr. Church was 74 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Farr were in Randolph last week.

Mrs. Mary Phelps is visiting her niece, Mrs. Hale of Montpelier.

Mrs. Story of Moretown is a guest of her son, George, and family.

Mrs. Fred Sprague and daughters were called to Burlington last week by the serious condition of Fred Sprague, who was shot some time ago, but he has rallied and is quite comfortable at this writing.

Miss Mamie Hubbard is at home from her school in Graniteville for the Christmas vacation.

ROCHESTER

Seymour Kent is acting as substitute for Caleb Eaton on B. F. D. L.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Jewett are at the Pierce home for the winter.

Fay Martin and Frank Wilson have been called to Portsmouth, N. H., to enter the coast artillery.

L. F. Edgerton has been appointed agent for explosives in town. No one can sell or buy them without a license.

Mrs. Julia Pierce and Mrs. Ellen Pierce have gone to Pinehurst, N. C., for the winter.

Miss Clara Stephens will go south for the winter with Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Pierce.

Mrs. Harry Chapeau will act as substitute librarian during the winter.

Miss Ruth Billings of Middlebury is a guest of her uncle and family, B. A. Billings.

George Hill, Ralph Carey and Clinton Condon have enlisted in the regular army and have gone to Fort Slocum, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cook are visiting relatives in Greenfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Martin and daughters were in Burlington last week.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Dana Green is ill.

Mrs. Ethan Jones has been very ill, but is somewhat better.

E. P. Gifford was sick the first of last week.

R. H. Buck, who has been in Hartford several weeks, painting, has finished his work and returned home.

There is to be a Christmas tree with exercises by the school, in grange hall Friday evening, Dec. 21.

The ladies of the Red Cross met with Mrs. D. D. Eddy Wednesday. A team was sent to take the ladies from the village in the morning and they spent the day, and a fine dinner was served. The day was spent in tying a quilt which is to be sold for the benefit of the Red Cross.

The village school closed Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. S. M. Bowen, who has been visiting her parents in Barnard, has returned home.

WEBSTERVILLE

Moving pictures in opera house, East Barre, Tuesday night, Dec. 25, at 8 o'clock. Special Christmas program. Admission, 10 cents and one cent war tax.—adv.

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church.—The Christmas tree and exercises will be held in the vestry this evening at 7:30. All who are in any way connected with the church and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

GRANITEVILLE

Leslie MacIver, who is a student at U. V. M. in Burlington, arrived in town Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Mildred Miles, who is a teacher in Wolcott, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miles.

Students from Mount St. Mary's in Burlington who came here to spend the holidays are Misses Clara and Agnes Murphy, Margery Pierce and Gertrude Donahue.

School closed Friday, with Christmas exercises in all the grades. The exercises were well attended, and it is pleasing to note the interest taken by parents in all the children are doing at school. Miss Bess Hammett left for Roxbury Saturday, and Ralph Winter went to Trow hill to pass the holidays at his home.

Miss Edna Suitor, who is employed in Concord, N. H., arrived here yesterday to spend a vacation of one month at her home.

Miss Bessie Brennan, who graduated from Fanny Allen hospital in Winoski last week, has registered at the nurses' home in Barre and now is on a case in that city.

John Morrison, Leonard Pallas and Harold Suitor, who are employed in New Haven, Conn., arrived here Saturday night to spend the holidays at their respective homes.

Roy McLeod returned Saturday from Hartford, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Flynn of West Topsham were week-end visitors in town.

Miss Helen Carey is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. William Fraser and son, Duncan, of Watertown, N. Y., are visiting friends here. Mrs. Fraser and family are old-time residents of this town, having moved to Watertown last year.

Gardiner McLeay and Ernest King of Claremont, N. H., are visiting relatives in town.

William Leonard of Philadelphia is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Little.

John Riley, who has been employed in Springfield, returned to his home Saturday.

John McInnis arrived here Saturday night from Saskatchewan for a visit with his mother.

Murdo Melver returned to-day from Boston, where he went to attend the funeral of a friend.

Miss Agnes Carey of Springfield, Mass., came here yesterday to spend the holidays with relatives.

C. Roscoe Melver is home from Boston for the holidays.

Miss Mary MacIver left this morning to spend Christmas with relatives in Boston.

Public dance in gymnasium hall Christmas night, Dec. 25. Dancing, 8 till 12. Riley's orchestra.

SOUTH CABOT

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Clark visited at Ora Ennis' in Cabot Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Stocker were in Montpelier Wednesday.

Mrs. Avon Hall visited at her mother's in Marshfield two days last week.

Vern Hudson of Marshfield was here on business Tuesday.

Elva Shaw and Mrs. Charles George of Marshfield were at C. B. Bouldry's Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hall of Marshfield called on friends in the place Friday.

May Conner went to Barre Friday for her Christmas vacation.

Mrs. A. G. Cassidy returned from Hanover, N. H. Thursday, where she has been for the past two weeks with her mother.

School closed Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Elmer Clark, who has been on the sick list for a few days, is able to be back at his school in Cabot.

Lucia Colberth is on the sick list.

E. M. Putnam got one knee hurt the first of the week by a chain hook getting caught in the lacing to his rubber.

We Are All Salesmen.

There is an article in the December American Magazine in which the author says:

"You and I are salesmen, Freddy. I began when we were seated at table that night; 'we interpret salesmanship in the broadest possible way, as persuasion. We believe that all the progress the world has made has been made by virtue of wise and intelligent salesmanship. A doctor is a salesman; his business is to 'sell' the world better methods of living. An inventor is a salesman whose business is to 'sell' the world new and better ways of doing things. The president of the United States, if he is successful in selling his ideas to the people, becomes a great popular leader."

"Everything must be sold. When you come to look at it in that light, the Bible is a record of the lives of the greatest salesmen who ever lived. For ideas are harder to sell than things. And the Hebrew prophets sold their people the greatest idea that it is possible for the human mind to entertain, the idea of God—sold it so well and securely that the world has scarcely been able to improve upon it."

A WAR-TIME CHRISTMAS.

The Giving of Self a New Factor in This Year's Observance.

Nineteen hundred and seventeen marks our first Christmas of war. Suddenly the spirit of the Christ-child has taken on a new meaning. "He that loathes his life for my sake shall find it," is a precept now being put into practice. Fathers and sons have put aside peace-time pursuits to give of their lives for world righteousness.

And every wife and mother who has bidden them good-bye with a smile on her lips and a light in her eye has given her own life vicariously. She is ready to suffer separation, anxiety and sacrifice that righteousness may prevail.

As this first Christmas season approaches, her heart thrills with the thought of her own contribution to these momentous times. Individual gift-giving sinks into insignificance. Something bigger has come into her life. She is losing her life that she may find it.

It is a giving of self. Christmas cheer fills her own heart in helping to bring it to contentment and camp. Already she has sent comfort kits and Christmas packages to those at the front. Now she is devoting herself to those soldiers still here and to their families.

"How can I do most to help win this war?" is the question she continually asks herself. And always she turns back to her own kitchen to find there her real work in the present struggle for the world's redemption.

To keep a stout heart and a steady aim, our soldiers must be well fed. This she knows.

She also knows that this first Christmas of war for her now marks the fourth Christmas for war for the brave women of France. They have known the thrill of that first Christmas when they gave of their still plentiful stores.

Since then there has been for them two Christmas seasons when they gave from their more and more depleted stores. They are now facing their fourth Christmas of war, still with a brave smile and courageous spirit, but with an ever tightened food supply.

Insistent has been their recent warning that the next few months will mean actual privation and need if abundant help is not forthcoming from the food supply of the United States.

Every woman in America, in preparing her Christmas baskets, in marketing for her Christmas dinner, in arranging for entertainment and festivity, should feel this enormous responsibility of sharing her food supply with those fighters and friends in France.

Less wheat in bread and pastry; less butter on the table and in cooking; more turkey, chicken and fish in place of meat; more fruits and sweet-meats in place of candy and sugar desserts—all these requests of the food administration should be borne in mind in preparing the Yuletide menu.

It is woman's most direct and most important part in the world war. It is losing her life to find it and it is hastening the day when the world shall be at "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

TO PREVENT FOOD FREEZING.

Watch the Weather Forecasts to Avert Losses.

Immense losses of food products, occasioned by freezing and other injurious weather conditions, occur annually that may, with proper precautions, be avoided. This is especially true of shipments by rail during the winter season. The weather bureau issues forecasts daily, and special warnings as occasion demands, giving information of expected weather conditions, including frosts, cold waves, high winds, and heavy rains or snows. During the winter season, officials in charge of nearly all weather bureau stations issue daily what are known as "shippers' forecasts," giving the minimum temperature expected to occur within a shipping radius of from 24 to 36 hours from the station. These forecasts are published on postal cards, and will be mailed to shippers on application to the nearest weather bureau office. Careful watch of these forecasts and warnings will often enable the shippers to avoid losses, either by expediting or delaying shipments or taking extra precautions to protect goods from injury. More definite information as to expected conditions may be obtained by calling up the weather bureau office. No shipment of considerable length should be made without first ascertaining the expected conditions over the route. The occasion demands the utmost care to prevent losses of food not only as a matter of self-interest, but as a patriotic duty. Watch the weather forecasts.

ORANGE.

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MANGANESE ORE GAINS.

Large Increase in Domestic Output in United States.

The domestic output of manganese ore is now of great practical importance and the United States geological survey is therefore collecting statistics of production every three months. The canvass for the quarter ending Oct. 1, 1917, has just been completed. The results of the canvass show a large increase in the number of shippers, as well as in the shipments of ore of each grade over those of the first six months of the year, which were slightly larger than those of the entire year 1916.

In 1916 only 26,966 tons of manganese ore was shipped by 53 operators, but in the first nine months of the present year 70,225 tons was shipped by 88 operators. The reports received by the survey indicate that the shipments for the year will be about 122,275 tons, which will be nearly four times those for any preceding year. In September the production of high-grade ore was about 14,000 tons, and in November it was nearly 17,000 tons. The results of the inquiries made in most of the fields by members of the survey indicate that the shipments in 1918 will be between 175,000 and 200,000 tons, sufficient to supply nearly one-third of the present demand of the steel industry. For about every 20,000 tons that can be produced in excess of the present domestic output it will be possible to release one ship that is now bringing ore from Brazil.

Of manganeseiferous ores containing 15 to 40 per cent of manganese, 380,169 tons was shipped during the first nine months of 1917 by 58 operators against 176,130 tons shipped by 41 operators in the entire year of 1916. Most of this ore was used to make spiegeleisen. Of ores containing five to 15 per cent of manganese, 424,438 tons was shipped by 14 operators during the first nine months of 1917, against 372,673 tons shipped by 26 operators during the year 1916. A part of the ore was used to make spiegeleisen, and the remainder was smelted with iron ore to make high manganese pig iron. The number of shippers given above does not include those of the Leadville district, Ohio.

The great increase in the shipments of high-grade ore from western states is noteworthy, particularly from Montana, Arizona, California, Utah, and Nevada. The prices now offered are causing prospectors in these states to search closely for ores, and many western mines are now shipping manganese ore that was left undisturbed in explorations made years ago. The Phillipsburg district, in Montana, shipped about 7,000 tons of high-grade ore during each month of the third quarter of 1917, and the Tombstone and Bisbee districts, in Arizona, are shipping large quantities of such ore. The rate of production of Virginia and Tennessee is increasing, but that of Arkansas and Georgia is not much larger than in 1916.

As recently as 1915 there was only a small market for ores containing less than 40 per cent of manganese, so that the large increase in shipments of low-grade ore during 1917 is striking. The production of these ores now appears to be limited more by the market than by the capacity of the mines.

The geological survey will send a list of the shippers of all grades of ore as well as a list of purchasers to any applicant.

WASHINGTON.

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